



Oregon State University

University Health and Safety Committee

September 27, 2017

Milam 119, 2:30 – 3:30 pm

Meeting Summary

Members Present: Jennifer Stewart (Chair), Tim Borgen, Carrie Burkholder, Marcia Dickson, Stephanie Harrison, Ariel Leshchinsky, Heidi Melton, Kay Miller, Ryan Mitchell, Debi Rothermund, Brian Stroup, Heather Wall

Members Absent: Mike Bamberger, Steve Beaudoin, Erin Frost (alt), Dan Kermoyan (alt), Patrick Hughes (alt), Jim Kiser, Mike Mayers, Jennifer McKay, Christina McKnight, Jim Patton, Aimee Scrivens (alt), Victoria Heiduschke, Roshni Sabedra (alt), Mike Sreniawski, Rachel Ziegler

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Heidi moved that the August minutes be approved as written; Carrie seconded. Minutes approved.

OLD BUSINESS

- (3.1) Hydrofluoric acid program. *Jennifer McKay to follow up, not in attendance.*
- (3.2.1) Jennifer Stewart to coordinate subcommittee on UHSC goals. *Note: Safety Policies and Procedures will be included. Currently on hold, pending summary of items not completed from previous years.*
- (3.2.2) Subcommittee on safety awards. *No update.*
- (3.3) Debi will follow up on crosswalk painting with Rebecca Houghtaling. *Debi contacted Rebecca but has not received a response.*
- (3.4) Carrie will inquire about why an individual was not wearing gloves when handling an owl. *The individual handling the owl was wearing gloves, the injured individual was not the handler.*
- (3.5) Safety walks. *Kay reminded committee members to complete and submit their safety walks before the next meeting if possible.*
- (3.6) Mike S will update the EHS website with FAQs. *Mike not in attendance.*

REVIEW OF ACCIDENT REPORTS

There seems to have been more accidents than usual since the beginning of the fiscal year. Generally, the claims are for typical summer activity incidents (bee stings, etc.).

Heidi noted that stress related illnesses have to meet different criteria than regular claims. Stress must not be inherent to the job. For example, a job may be stressful, but wouldn't typically qualify on its own unless there is something out of the ordinary, like continual short staffing, harassment, or a traumatic incident.

FIRE SAFETY INSPECTIONS UPDATE

Inspection reports are posted on the EH&S website as they are completed, as well as the annual inspection schedule. The monthly schedule is posted in the UHSC box so members can accompany Jim if they choose.

FACILITIES MONTHLY LIFE/SAFETY WORK ORDERS

Stephanie reported that most of the health/safety calls were for odors. Nothing of note.

EH&S ON-CALL LOG/REPORT OF UNSAFE CONDITIONS

No items of note this month.

SAFETY TRAINING UPDATE

In September, Environmental Health and Safety recorded the following trainings, which involved 64 departments:

September 2017	Course
32	Bloodborne pathogens/laboratory biosafety
100	Bloodborne pathogens for non-lab workers
8	NIH Guidelines
253	Hazardous waste training
1	HAZWOPER initial
122	Universal waste handling
17	Formaldehyde safety
15	Lab hazard awareness for non-lab workers
202	General laboratory safety
38	Animal handler safety
14	Noise and hearing conservation
18	Respirator training/fit testing
24	Acknowledgement of safety training and hazard communication
132	Fire extinguisher
1	Forklift operator
223	Globally harmonized system/HazCom/SDS
2	Golf cart/utility vehicle
25	Office and general safety
1	Respirator for comfort only
1	Tractor safety
0	Isotope user orientation
4	Isotope user refresher
10	Laser safety
1	Sealed radiation source (new or refresher)
4	X-ray machine safety

NEW BUSINESS

- Samuel Gras, OSU-GO Health and Safety Coordinator, was suggested as a new member. Jennifer will contact him.
- Joe McQuillin has moved from UHDS to Recreational Sports and will serve as Jennifer S's alternate.
- Reminder that November and December meetings are scheduled a week early due to holidays.
- Mike S will be asked to provide UHSC member annual training at the November meeting.
- Dan Kermoyan will be asked to follow up on the hydrofluoric acid policy/procedure.

ACTION ITEMS

- Mike S will develop an FAQ or “How do I...” section for the Unsafe Conditions report form on the EHS website, once the new EHS website is up. It will also be distributed to building managers, facilities services, GCA, etc. *Committee members will provide suggestions to Mike.*
- Jennifer Stewart to coordinate subcommittee on UHSC goals/safety awards.
- Crosswalk striping. *Debi to follow up with Rebecca Houghtaling on this again.*
- Members will complete their safety walks and send reports to Kay before the next meeting.
- Jennifer will contact Samuel Gras about possibly joining the committee.
- Jennifer will ask Mike S to provide training at the November meeting.
- Jennifer will ask Dan Kermoyan about the hydrofluoric acid safety policy.

NEXT MEETINGS

Wednesday, October 25, 2:30 – 4:00 pm, Milam 119

Wednesday, November 15, 2:30 – 4:00 pm, Milam 119 (note: one week early due to holidays)

Wednesday, December 20, 2:30 – 4:00 pm, Milam 119 (note: one week early due to holidays)